training programmes on water conservation, rain water harvesting and artificial recharge to ground water.

Survey to assess delays of indian flights

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SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have taken congnizance of recurrent delays of the flights of Indian;

(b) whether Government make random surveys to assess the recurrent delays of flights;

(c) if so, the methodology and frequency of such surveys and the findings thereof;

(d) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the steps being taken by Government to ensure adherence to flight schedule?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) In Indian Airlines, all technical delays and cancellations are investigated to identify the cause and remedial action is taken immediately. A meeting of the representatives of operating departments at the Regional level is held every day to revievl previous 24 hours operations. Engineering delays and cancellations are dealt with promptly. At the base station, delays and cancellations are analysed to identify repetitive nature of snag. In case a repetitive sang is detected, special maintenance action is immediately taken to ensure that the snag does not persist. At the Headquarters level, the punctuality of services is monitored on a daily basis.

(e) The Government has approved acquisition of 43 new aircrafts for Indian Airlines. With the induction of new aircraft in the fleet, Indian Airlines will be in a better position to maintain the schedule integrity.